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11. Embassy delivered demarche to Tania Lopez, Ministry of Commerce's WTO Forum Coordinator on Tuesday, March 14. Ms. Lopez responded in writing on Wednesday, March 15; an unofficial translation follows.

Begin Translation:

Costa Rica will support the "Joint Proposal" on Geographical Indications (GI) for wines and spirits, which is on the agenda under the TRIPS Council Special Session the 16 and 17 of March. The GOCR has informed and given instruction to its Mission at the WTO. We will send an official communique by the end of the day (March 15).

Tania Lopez

WTO Forum Coordinator

End of translation
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